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Britons Storm BBC Over Interview

MOB SCENE: Anti-fascist demonstrators clash with British police officers outside the offices of the BBC in London Thursday. Hundreds stormed the network ahead of an appearance by Nick Griffin, the leader of the far-right British National Party. The protesters thought the interview gave undue political respectability to the party. ❖ **Security Breach:** Drama reaches BBC's lobby | **Page 6**

Belief in Warming Is Cooling

Poll: More Americans doubt world's rise in temperature

WASHINGTON | Americans seem to be cooling toward global warming.

Just 57 percent think there is solid evidence the world is getting warmer, down 20 points in just three years, a new poll says. And the share of people who believe pollution caused by humans is causing temperatures to rise has also dipped to only 36 percent.

In a poll of 1,500 adults by the Pew Research Center for the People & the Press, released Thursday, the number of people saying there is strong scientific evidence that the Earth has warmed over the past few decades is down from 71 percent in April of last year and from 77 percent in 2006.

The steepest drop has occurred during the past year, as Congress and the Obama administration have taken steps to control heat-trapping emissions for the first time and international negotiations for a new treaty to slow global warming have been under way. At the same time, there has been mounting scientific evidence of climate change — from melting ice caps to the world's oceans hitting the highest monthly recorded temperatures this summer. (AP)



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DEATH

RIP, Good Taste

Iles Funeral Home in Des Moines, Iowa, is going high-tech with its funeral announcements, putting them on electronic billboards across the city. The digital announcements, which have appeared on five billboards in the city for a few months, last about eight seconds. Announcements can flash the deceased person's name, picture and service details, and the funeral home's Web site. (AP)



REVENGE

Thief's Feelings Are Gravely Hurt

Linda Contraguerro hopes the man who robbed her Wheeling, W.Va., flower shop can read. "Hey jerk, we want our money back," she wrote on a sign in front of her store. Police are still looking for the man who walked into the shop on Oct. 14 and pointed a gun at a cashier before making off with \$150 in cash. Contraguerro says she's furious about the robbery, especially the fear it's caused her employees. (AP)



KAZUHIRO NOGI/AP/GETTY IMAGES

PERSONAL MOBILITY DEVICES

The Segway Has Nothing to Worry About

Honda's U3-X, a self-balancing unicycle, made its official debut Wednesday at the Tokyo Motor Show. Riders lean in different directions to make the device go forward, backward, side to side or diagonally. It's not known when, or whether, the U3-X will be sold. (EXPRESS)



PERSONAL MOBILITY DEVICES

The Segway Has Nothing to Worry About Here, Either

A Proctor, Minn., man has pleaded guilty to driving his motorized La-Z-Boy chair while drunk. Dennis LeRoy Anderson, 62, left a bar on his chair in August 2008 after drinking eight or nine beers. He promptly crashed into a parked vehicle. He was not seriously injured. The chair was powered by a converted lawn mower and had a stereo and cup holders. A judge stayed 180 days of jail time Monday and ordered two years of probation for Anderson. (AP)

WILDLIFE

"Do you throw your dead grandmother around for a joke at her funeral?"

— CHARLES CADWALLADER, AN ANIMAL CRUELTY INSPECTOR WHO PUT A HALT TO A SMALL NEW ZEALAND TOWN'S TRADITION OF DEAD-RABBIT-THROWING CONTESTS.



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Federal Reserve Unveils Proposal To Police Banks

WASHINGTON | The Federal Reserve would police banks' pay policies to ensure they don't encourage employees to take reckless gambles like those that contributed to the financial crisis, according to a proposal unveiled Thursday.

Unlike a Treasury plan to slash pay at certain companies that were bailed out with taxpayer money, the Fed proposal would cover thousands of banks, including many that never received a bailout.

The Fed would not actually set compensation. Instead, the central bank would review — and could veto — pay policies that could cause too much risk-taking. All told, nearly 6,000 banks regulated by the Fed would be covered.

Fed officials wouldn't commit to a final plan's being adopted this year. (AP)

HEARSAY | MEDIA

"It's not something I'm losing a lot of sleep over."

— PRESIDENT OBAMA, WHEN ASKED DURING AN INTERVIEW ON NBC WEDNESDAY WHETHER IT IS APPROPRIATE FOR MEMBERS OF HIS ADMINISTRATION TO BE PUBLICLY CHALLENGING FOX NEWS.

Mexican Cartel Targeted in Raids

Suspected members of drug organization arrested nationwide

WASHINGTON | In the largest single strike at Mexican drug operations in the U.S., federal officials on Thursday announced the arrests of more than 300 people in raids across the country aimed at the newest and most violent cartel.

La Familia has earned a reputation for dominating the methamphetamine trade and displaying graphic violence, including beheadings. U.S. officials said the cartel has a vast network pumping drugs throughout the United States.

The arrests took place in 38 cities — including Boston; Seattle; Tampa, Fla.; and St. Paul, Minn. — in 19 states.

Attorney General Eric Holder pledged to keep hitting La Familia and the cartels responsible for a wave of bloodshed in Mexico. He said the U.S. would attack them at all levels, from the leadership to their supply chains reaching far into the United States.



Police escort Jose Roberto de la Sancha Thursday in Mexico City. He is suspected of being a member of the cartel La Familia.

"To the extent that they do grow back, we have to work with our Mexican counterparts to cut off the heads of these snakes, to get at the heads of the cartels, indict them, try them, if they're in Mex-

ico, extradite them to the United States," Holder said.

On Wednesday and Thursday, more than 3,000 federal agents and police officers carried out arrests in more than a dozen

states, as part of a long-running effort that has netted nearly 1,200 arrests during almost four years.

The suspects face a combination of federal and state charges.

DEVLIN BARRETT (AP)



CRIME Honesty Not Always the Best Policy A 60-year-old man in Rapid City, S.D., has been sentenced to four years in prison for robbing a bank in the city. Police said Lonnie Pannell walked into the downtown Dacotah Bank on Feb. 5 without a weapon and demanded money. He got away with about \$2,800. Pannell was arrested less than 24 hours later when his car ran out of gas near Chadron, Neb. Court documents said that when Pannell was booked into jail, he named "robbery" as his occupation. (AP)

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Rise of Obesity Strains ER Crews

Emergency providers are starting to charge extra for hard rescues

TOPEKA, KAN. | The memory still bothers Ken Keller: A panicked ambulance crew had a critically ill patient, but the man weighed more than 1,000 pounds and could not fit inside the vehicle. And the stretcher wasn't sturdy enough to hold him.

The crew offered an idea to Keller, who was then an investigator with the Kansas Board of Emergency Medical Services. Could they use a forklift to load the man onto a truck? Keller agreed: There was no other choice.

"I'm sure it was terribly embarrassing to be in his own bed, riding on the back of a flatbed with straps tying him down, going to the hospital, and then have a fork-



American Medical Response operations manager Ken Keller shows off the special ambulance that's used for obese patients at the company's facility in Topeka, Kan.

lift at the hospital unload him," Keller said.

As the nation battles the obesity crisis, ambulance crews are trying to improve how they trans-

port extremely heavy patients. Caring for such patients is expensive, requiring costly equipment and extra workers, so some ambulance companies have started charging

5%

The portion of Americans who are morbidly obese, meaning they are more than 100 pounds heavier than their ideal weight, the CDC says.

higher fees for especially overweight people.

The move to modify ambulances is just the latest effort to accommodate plus-sized patients. Some hospitals already offer specially designed beds, wheelchairs, walkers and even commodes.

Transporting extremely heavy people costs about 2½ times as much as normal-weight patients. It takes more time to move them and requires three to four times more crew members, who often must use expensive specialty equipment, said Jim Buell, a director at the American Ambulance Association.

HEATHER HOLLINGSWORTH (AP)

Panel: NASA's Moon Mission Is Wrongheaded

WASHINGTON | NASA needs to make a major detour on its grand plans to return astronauts to the moon, a special independent U.S. panel has told the White House.

NASA has picked the wrong destination with the wrong rocket, the panel's chairman said Thursday. A test-flight version of the new rocket, Ares, is on a launch pad at Cape Canaveral, awaiting liftoff. NASA should be concentrating on bigger rockets, the panel members said.

Norman Augustine, chairman of the panel reviewing the agency's plans, said it makes more sense to land on a nearby asteroid or one of the moons of Mars. The exploration plans now under fire were pushed by then-President Bush after the 2003 Columbia space shuttle disaster. (AP)

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In Brief



People help a man after he was injured during fighting in Mogadishu, Somalia.

MOGADISHU, SOMALIA
Militants Fire Mortars At Airport, Spark Battles

Mortars fired by Islamic militants slammed into Somalia's airport as the president was boarding a plane Thursday, sparking battles that killed at least 24 people when return fire hit residential areas and a market, officials said. President Sheik Sharif Sheik Ahmed was unhurt, and his plane took off safely, police said. (AP)

THE HAGUE, NETHERLANDS
Ex-Bosnian Serb Leader Threatens to Boycott Trial

Radovan Karadzic has threatened to boycott his genocide trial on Monday at the Yugoslav war crimes tribunal, saying in a letter released Thursday he needs more time to prepare. The 64-year-old former Bosnian Serb leader was arrested in July last year in Belgrade while disguised as a New Age healer. (AP)

Chaos at London Demonstration

Protesters break into BBC center at rally vs. far-right politician

LONDON | Anti-fascist protesters broke into the BBC's west London headquarters on Thursday ahead of a far-right party leader's appearance on a leading political debate show.

Hundreds of protesters gathered outside the BBC Television Center in a rowdy rally against British National Party chief Nick Griffin, who appeared on the broadcaster's "Question Time" program. At one point, about 25 people breached a police cordon and ran into the center's lobby.

BBC footage showed some being pulled across the floor by their arms and legs by security. The broadcaster said the protesters were "escorted promptly" from the building.

"Shame on the BBC!" one female protester yelled as she was being dragged out.

Scotland Yard said three officers were injured in the protests, and six people were arrested.

The BBC later broadcast foot-



Protesters shout at police during a rally against a far-right political party at the BBC Television Center in London on Thursday.

age of Griffin arriving in the building and taking his place on the "Question Time" panel to scattered applause. Justice Secretary Jack Straw, a senior member of the governing Labour Party, was seen sitting across from Griffin on the show's panel. The BBC said the pro-

gram would air after editing.

Griffin said afterward that he was relatively pleased with the program and had taken a lot of flack but had "been able to land a few punches of my own."

"It was hard-going," he told The Associated Press by phone. "It was

a bit like a boxing match."

He said he didn't think the show itself would revolutionize his party's fortunes but said it was a kind of "boy scout's badge" for having secured, he claimed, the BNP's place on the national stage.

RAPHAEL G. SATTER (AP)

100K THE NUMBER OF women who have signed a petition saying they are offended by Italian Prime Minister Silvio Berlusconi — an initiative launched by a newspaper after the premier made a sexist remark to an opposition politician. Berlusconi made the jab on Oct. 7 to 58-year-old former minister Rosy Bindi. "You are always more beautiful than intelligent," Berlusconi told her. (AP)

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Taliban Resist Pakistani Assault

Gunmen fatally shoot senior army officer, soldier in Islamabad

DERA ISMAIL KHAN, PAKISTAN | Residents fleeing a six-day-old Pakistani army offensive in a Taliban stronghold along the Afghan border reported Thursday that the insurgents are digging in for a fight and travel the roads freely.

Tired and dusty refugees arriving in the northwestern town of Dera Ismail Khan from different parts of South Waziristan reported intense army bombing by jets and helicopters but said they had seen no ground troops.



A police officer drives a jeep marked with bullet holes after it was attacked by gunmen in Islamabad, Pakistan, on Thursday. Gunmen fatally shot an army officer.

The accounts by a dozen refugees to Associated Press reporters are a sign of just how much fight-

ing remains before the military can even hope to clear the area, which in recent years has become a major

global hub for al-Qaeda and other extremist groups.

In the last 20 days, militants have killed more than 170 people in a series of suicide bombings and raids on Western, civilian and security-force targets across the country.

In the latest attack, suspected insurgents on a motorbike fatally shot a senior army officer and a soldier in a jeep Thursday in Islamabad. The slain officer, Ahmed Moynuddin, was on leave from his job as deputy commander of the U.N. peacekeeping mission in Sudan.

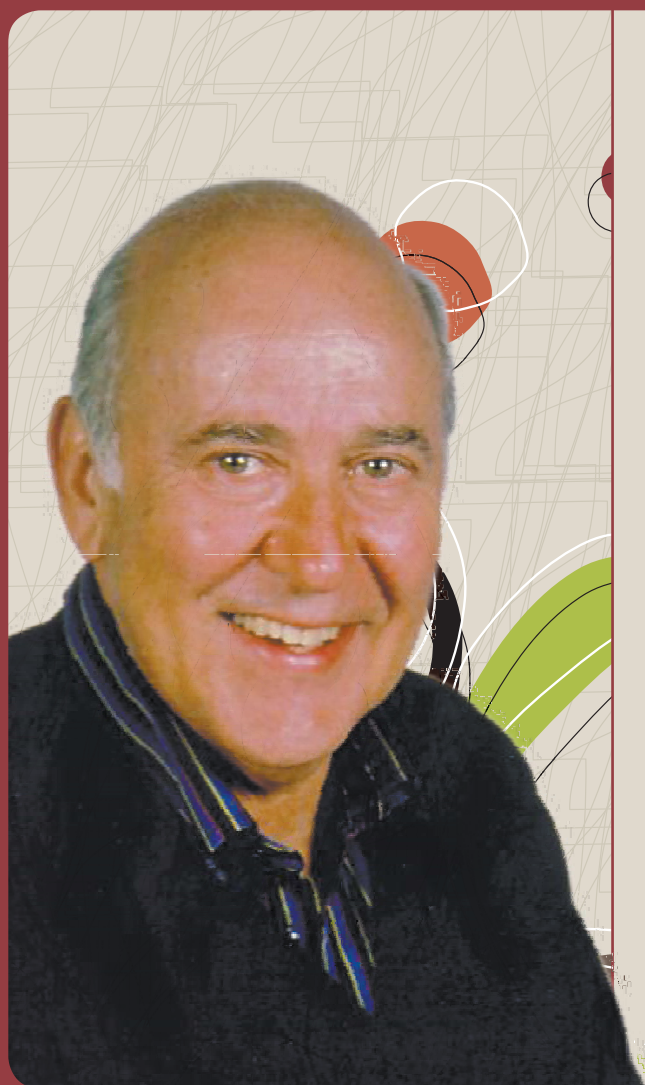
The attack was thought to be the first targeted killing of an army officer in the capital. (AP)

Powerful Quake Hits Afghanistan

KABUL | A strong earthquake centered in the towering Hindu Kush mountains shook a wide area of eastern Afghanistan and Pakistan early Friday, swaying buildings in the Afghan and Pakistani capitals.

There were no initial reports of damage or casualties from the quake, which struck at about 12:21 a.m. Afghan time. The tremor was centered in a remote area where communications are poor.

The earthquake had a preliminary magnitude of 6.2 and was centered about 167 miles northeast of Kabul and 140 miles west of Mingaora, Pakistan, according to the U.S. Geological Survey. (AP)



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He has also authored several books, including his recent novel "Just Desserts" and the children's book "Tell Me a Scary Story, But Not TOO Scary."

Dulles AeroTrain Launch Delayed

Testing issues hold up system set to replace airport shuttle buses

A December start date for Dulles International Airport's \$1.4 billion AeroTrain service appears increasingly unlikely because of delays associated with a major contractor, the regional airport agency said.

Tara Hamilton, a spokeswoman for the Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority, cited "testing delays" on the part of Sumitomo Corp. of America, which shares a contract with Mitsubishi Heavy Industries to design, build and operate the train system.

"It's uncertain that we will begin to operate by the end of the year," Hamilton said. "We will know later in the year when we can set a date for operations."

The authority has been saying



The Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority planned for the AeroTrain system to be ready by the end of '09. Testing delays have pushed back the launch indefinitely.

for months that the system would be ready by the end of 2009.

The AeroTrain represents almost half of the cost of the \$3 billion D2 expansion of the air-

port that the authority has undertaken in recent years. Capital projects also include a fourth runway, parking garages, 15 new gates, concourse and terminal expan-

sions, and a control tower.

The AeroTrain is separate from the \$5 billion construction project to bring Metrorail service to Dulles. The new Metro route has been dubbed the Silver Line.

The AeroTrain will replace the airport's 1960s-era "mobile lounges" that transport passengers to gates. The lounges are essentially giant shuttle buses that cross the tarmac and must yield to taxiing aircraft and other obstacles. Airport officials say the train, which will run underground on 3.78 miles of track, will significantly speed the trip from terminal to gate.

Hamilton said Mitsubishi, which makes the rail cars, delivered them on time this summer. However, Sumitomo's task of testing and verifying that the system works properly is taking longer than anticipated. *SHOLNN FREEMAN (THE WASHINGTON POST)*

The Lotteries

Thursday, Oct. 22

DISTRICT

Mid-day Lucky Numbers	6-7-8
Evening Lucky Numbers (Wed.)	3-0-4
Mid-day DC 4	2-2-1-7
Evening DC 4 (Wed.)	0-6-7-7
Mid-day D.C. Five	7-4-0-6-7
Evening D.C. Five (Wed.)	8-0-4-6-9
Daily 6 (Wed.)	4-9-11-20-21-37 (5)
Hot Lotto (Wed.)	16-20-23-34-39 (3)

MARYLAND

Mid-day Pick 3	5-5-9
Evening Pick 3 (Wed.)	3-4-0
Mid-day Pick 4	1-6-6-5
Evening Pick 4 (Wed.)	4-2-8-2
Match 5 (Wed.)	4-7-14-28-29 (16)
Multi-Match (Wed.)	2-11-19-23-27-41

VIRGINIA

Mid-day Pick 3	2-2-9
Evening Pick 3 (Wed.)	6-1-7
Mid-day Pick 4	9-3-3-1
Evening Pick 4 (Wed.)	8-4-0-1
Mid-day Cash 5	1-4-7-18-33
Evening Cash 5 (Wed.)	3-9-29-30-34
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MIKE STONE/AP

United can aid its post-season cause by defeating Kansas City on Saturday.

friday

8 P.M. The reigning Eastern Conference champion Orlando Magic hosts Atlanta in preseason action. ESPN

10:30 P.M. In a preseason rematch of last year's Western Conference finals, the Nuggets invade the Staples Center to face Kobe and the Lakers. ESPN

saturday

1:30 P.M. The Terps travel down Tobacco Road to face Duke in ACC football action. ESPN360

7:30 P.M. If necessary, the Yankees take on the Angels at New Yankee Stadium in game 6 of the ALCS. FOX
8 P.M. After last year's loss, USC wants to exact some revenge on Oregon State at the Coliseum. ABC
8:30 P.M. Even a win over Kansas City won't guarantee D.C. United a playoff berth. CSN+

sunday

1 P.M. Brett Favre will have to be at his best as the Vikings face the world champion Steelers. FOX

1:30 P.M. The NASCAR Sprint Cup comes to Martinsville, Va., for the Tums Fast Relief 500, with Jimmie Johnson holding a 90-point lead. ABC
8:15 P.M. Eli Manning and the New York Giants try to rebound from their first loss of the season as they host the reigning NFC champion Arizona Cardinals. NBC

PERSONAL FOUL

Or more appropriately, personnel foul.

While Gibbs stepped down two years ago, his spirit has lived on through a series of errors adjusting the roster he assembled.

Redskins VP Vinny Cerrato has allowed

Washington to become the NFL's oldest team despite Gibbs' group's winning just one playoff game. The effect is especially felt along the ailing offensive line, which has gone ignored in the draft even as Cerrato took wide receivers Devin Thomas and Malcolm Kelly, and tight end Fred Davis with the team's top three picks in 2008.

OFFSIDES

The Redskins have never been much for doing things the traditional way under Snyder, but the path to hiring Zorn was particularly unusual and ill-fated. Amid rumors of Jim Fassel's taking over, **ZORN** was hired

as offensive coordinator despite his

lack of professional experience calling plays and the absence of a head coach. Two weeks later, Zorn got the top job in a stunning, and perhaps rash, promotion. Nowhere in that span did Zorn's credentials change to prove he was ready for the gig.



The long way down

How the Redskins fell flat — fast



1 Jan. 8, 2008 Joe Gibbs retires after his second run in D.C.

2 Jan. 22, 2008 Vinny Cerrato is promoted to Redskins VP of football operations.

3 Feb. 11, 2008 Jim Zorn is named head coach, two weeks after being hired as offensive coordinator.

4 April 26, 2008 Redskins draft wide receivers Devin Thomas and Malcolm Kelly, and tight end Fred Davis with top three picks.

5 Dec. 28, 2008 Redskins end the season 8-8 after a 6-2 start.

6 Sept. 27, 2009 Redskins fall to Lions, who had a 19-game losing streak.



7 Oct. 19, 2009 Jim Zorn announces new team consultant Sherman Lewis will take over offensive play-calling duties.



Capture The Flags

Inevitably, head coach Jim Zorn will be the fall guy for the Redskins' disastrous season. A closer look, however, reveals he is hardly the only one to blame. And while owner

Daniel Snyder's tenure has been riddled with mistakes and turmoil, the period after Joe Gibbs resigned for a second time has been especially problematic. If there were off-field penalties, Washington would lead the league in yellow hankies. We look back at what's gone wrong. MATT SWENSON (EXPRESS)

EXCESSIVE CELEBRATION

The recession struck even the Redskins, who were forced to lay off at least 20 employees in the off-season. Yet Snyder still overspent like a champion during free agency. Few would argue that

Haynesworth was not an upgrade to the defensive line, just as bringing back Derrick Dockery benefited the offensive line. But the cost to sign the linemen and retain DeAngelo Hall was nearly \$200 million, which will probably be prohibitive if the roster gets a needed overhaul. Prudence has never been Snyder's strong suit.

DELAY OF GAME

Washington's talent level may be suspect, but this year's rapid descent can at least be partially blamed on the dark cloud over Zorn. Pundits, fans and players alike figure the coach will be fired. Snyder and **CERRATO** are letting him twist in

the wind first, though. Adding Sherman Lewis as a consultant was the first step. Then Cerrato "strongly suggested" — Zorn's words — that Lewis take over the play-calling duties. All that seems left is for the final ax to fall. If it doesn't happen during the bye week after Monday's game against the Eagles, Zorn will almost surely make it through the season. For now, there's just uncertainty.



APPAREL **Heir Jordan** A spat over the shoes Michael Jordan's son will wear at the University of Central Florida could cost the school as much as \$3 million. Freshman guard Marcus Jordan is refusing to wear shoes made by Adidas, the brand the university has a contract with for all of its sports. He will only wear his father's Nike Air Jordan shoes because they hold special meaning to his family. The university says it is working with Adidas "in determining how this unique set of circumstances will work for both parties." (AP)

THE REDSKINS WILL WIN IF ...



1 Sherman Lewis yells, "Bingo!" a lot on Sunday. By now, everyone knows the Redskins' new play-caller was the star of a senior center's favorite game night in Michigan. With the Wizards' Gilbert Arenas retiring "Hibachi!" this year, Washington sports fans need a new catchphrase. If Washington puts three touchdowns in the first game since Jim Zorn took a backseat to Lewis, "Bingo!" may be the new way to go.



2 Jon Gruden leaves the broadcast booth and grabs a Redskins headset. The "Monday Night Football" announcer is as good a bet as any to be Washington's coach next year. So, why not get him started now in the nation's capital? His "Chucky" face should be enough to scare the Redskins into playing better. If nothing else, you know he has better time management skills than Zorn.



3 If they find inspiration from "The Goonies." Just when the tykes on a search for pirate treasure seem to have been stymied, Sloth — yelling, "Hey, you guys!" — turns on the Fratellis to help his new BFF, Chunk. The Redskins may be split over Zorn's future, but if a freak and a fat kid can unite to strike gold, surely Mike Sellers can rededicate his efforts blocking for Clinton Portis. Remember, Goonies never give up on big runs.

3 UP 3 DOWN

How the Redskins could win — or lose — this week

THE REDSKINS WILL LOSE IF ...



1 Donovan McNabb isn't sacked six times. The Eagles quarterback took a pounding from the lowly Raiders in one of the season's biggest upsets last Sunday. The Redskins put good heat on the Chiefs' Matt Cassell, which kept them in the game despite the offense's lack of touchdowns. If McNabb is free to pass as he pleases, this could turn out uglier than the infamous "body bag" game Philadelphia fans still cherish.



2 Jason Campbell has lost his confidence. Who would blame him for being a bit guns-shy after getting the hook last week? But if he plays timidly, Todd Collins is going to be back in the game — and this time for good. Campbell may not be great by any means, yet his stats this year are the best of his career. He needs to dwell on the positive and remember he's playing for next year's paycheck (even if it's from another team).



3 Hunter Smith can't suit up. Hunter the punter must be the team's good-luck charm, since the Redskins have lost to two previously winless teams since he's been out with an injury. Surely, he would make all the difference on a nationally televised game that will prove all the national critics are wrong. On a serious note, Smith's kicks could help the Redskins in field position battle, which is crucial for a team that can't score.

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ALL GAMES ON SATURDAY

Tennessee at No. 1 Alabama

THE STORY: Tailback

MARK INGRAM has the Tide eyeing a national championship as Lane Kiffin gets his first crack at Alabama since joining the SEC.

WHAT TO WATCH FOR: Ingram was held to a career-low one yard against the Volunteers a year ago. He'll need to improve on that to stay in the Heisman hunt. (3:30 P.M., CBS)



No. 3 Texas at Missouri

THE STORY: The Longhorns seek to avoid a road slip-up as they visit Mizzou.

WHAT TO WATCH FOR: Texas quarterback **COLT MCCOY** must find his groove if Texas is going to compete for a national title. (8 P.M., ABC)



No. 12 Georgia Tech at Virginia

THE STORY: The ACC Coastal Division lead is on the line.

WHAT TO WATCH FOR: Dual-threat QB **JOSH NESBITT** looks to vault the Yellow Jackets into the top 10 with a win over the Cavaliers. (NOON, ESPN360)



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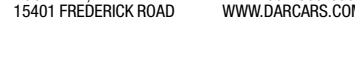
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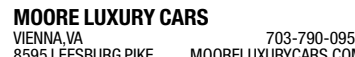
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IS THERE any stopping the Philadelphia Phillies? Armed with a strong rotation led by Cliff Lee and powered by a lethal lineup led by Ryan Howard, they just may be the best team in baseball — again. If the bullpen continues to performs as well as it has thus far in the playoffs, not even the New York Yankees may have a shot at stopping a repeat. A scarier thought is this group could put together a run of several more titles.

Not only is age a moot point ... but Philadelphia's front office also seems to make all the right moves.

Not only is age a moot point — most of the Phillies are in their prime — but Philadelphia's front office also seems to make all the right moves. Last year, it added closer Brad Lidge, who was perfect. In building toward a second title this year, the team traded for Lee and signed Pedro Martinez. Lee, the 2008 American League Cy Young Award winner, has been better than advertised. The wily Martinez contributed little in the regular season, yet his strong outing in the National League Championship Series made him a gamble that paid off. Assuming the Yankees finish off the Angels — Thursday's game ended after deadline — there's going to be a great World Series. Cheer up, Washington fans: By the time the Phillies are too old to win titles, the Nats may finally have a competitive team.

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A Bad Time to Play Duke

Struggling Terrapins can't count on a win over hot Blue Devils

TERPS FOOTBALL | The expansion of the ACC after the 2003 season was supposed to be a boon for all involved. The move, which first brought over Miami and Virginia Tech

from the Big East and Boston College a year later, was supposed to raise the profile of a basketball conference fighting to lay legitimate claim to a spot as one of the nation's top football leagues. For the Maryland Terrapins, not






It's a rare sight to see Duke's football team celebrating this late in the season.




coincidentally, that's when things started going downhill. After three consecutive 10-win seasons from 2001 to 2003, the Terrapins have not reached that mark since, in part due to the more difficult schedule that for the last four seasons has lacked a single meeting with perennial ACC punching bag Duke. That changes on Saturday. Another difference, though, is the Blue Devils (3-3, 1-1 in the ACC),

appear to be the better team. "I don't know how the scheduling goes, but I knew by the time I ever played Duke they'd be nationally ranked," Maryland coach Ralph Friedgen said. "Now they're really a good football team." The Terps (2-5, 1-2) are in a state of disarray and in dire need of the boost that a game against Duke used to provide. But behind coach David Cutcliffe and dynamic quarterback Thaddeus Lewis, the Blue Devils have turned in two-straight eye-opening performances: A one-touchdown loss to then-No 6 Virginia Tech and a 49-28 drubbing of North Carolina State. "We're expecting them to have a good crowd," senior cornerback Jamari McCollough said. "They're winning some games this year, so it's definitely a different team, a different atmosphere." DEREK TURNER




Sunday
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EAGLES (MINUS 7) AT REDSKINS






VIKINGS (PLUS 4.5) AT STEELERS



BEARS (PLUS 1) AT BENGALS



FALCONS (PLUS 4) AT COWBOYS



CARDINALS (PLUS 7) AT GIANTS

EAGLES

I'm jumping on the Clinton Yates bandwagon. No more picking the Redskins.

STEELERS

The Vikings are due for a loss after some close calls.

BENGALS

In an odd twist, the Bengals are not the most mistake-prone team here.

FALCONS

If it weren't for the Zorn drama here, we could focus on the Cowboys' woes.

GIANTS

An upset is not in the cards here. Get it? I crack myself up sometimes.

EAGLES

Two weeks ago, I picked the Redskins. There's a first — and last — for everything.

VIKINGS

No more Aaron Smith for the Steelers means Peterson goes nuts.

BEARS

This is exactly the kind of game that a good Bengals team could easily drop.

FALCONS

In the NFC, the Vikings are the only reason to pick against the Falcons.

GIANTS

Do not expect a monster game from Kurt Warner against his old team.

EAGLES

I just listened to an ESPN analyst call the Redskins a gigantic rash.

STEELERS

Favre definitely has a six-INT game hiding inside him.

BENGALS

Ochocinco wants a tryout with D.C. United. Really.

FALCONS

Dallas' implosion will be the sole comfort for Redskins fans.

GIANTS

Sadly, the Giants' NFC championship will be no comfort.

EAGLES

The lights come on for "MNF." Can the Redskins' offense do the same?

STEELERS

This is a big game for Pittsburgh in a crowded AFC North. Brett Favre and co. are due for a loss.

BENGALS

Carson Palmer, coming off an injury, has regained his form from a couple years ago.

COWBOYS

The Cowboys coming off a bye, don't want to fall further behind the Giants.

GIANTS

Kurt Warner and the Cardinals don't usually play well on the East Coast.

SEASON TALLY | Matt Swenson: 19-9; Clinton Yates: 17-11; Celebrity Guests: Angie Goff: 17-11; Dan Steinberg: 8-14; Brett Haber: 10-5

Isiah Thomas 'Blindsided' by Magic's Book

NBA | Isiah Thomas fired back at Magic Johnson for excerpts in a soon-to-be-released book that discussed everything from the reason for Thomas' omission from the 1992 Olympic Dream Team ("Nobody on that team wanted to play with him," Johnson says in the book) to an accusation that blamed Thomas for spreading rumors that Johnson was gay or bisexual after he was diagnosed with HIV in 1991. "I'm really hurt," Thomas, now the coach at Florida International University, told SI.com on Wednesday. "I really feel taken advantage of for all these years. I'm totally blindsided by this." The book, "When the Game Was Ours," was co-written by Johnson, Larry Bird and longtime NBA writer Jackie MacMullan. (AP)

Despite its fascinating subject, 'Amelia' never manages to take off 25

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Cat Cora
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Does chopping and dicing with the boy's club get old for "Iron Chef America" star Cat Cora? Nah. She relishes going cutting board to cutting board with Morimoto, Bobby Flay et al. Still, eventually, the hit show will probably get another fairer-sex star. And she could arrive shortly. A new face, gender currently undetermined, will join the show soon, with the competition series "The Next Iron Chef" currently airing on the Food Network Sunday nights at 9. Cora dished about secret ingredients and what it takes to hang in Kitchen Stadium.

The competitors on "The Next Iron Chef" are good cooks, but what will make one of them win? They have to wear a lot of hats. They have to be a great chef and an entertainer. We have to be able to cook under pressure but also

talk on camera and talk to Alton [Brown] and direct the sous chefs. It also has to be someone with media skills — someone who has an overall great persona.

If you could give an aspiring "Iron Chef" any other tips, what would they be? Come in with some fantastic ideas. If one cuisine is your strong point, that's great, but bring it in fresh every single show. Try to do something new and different and exciting. And then, put tennis shoes on. You can't wear clogs and be an Iron Chef! Put sneakers on, because you're going to be running.

The new season of "Iron Chef America" starts in January. What should fans expect? We're going to continue to bring in chefs from all over, from different countries as well. They can

expect a lot of excitement, a lot of craziness.

What have your least- and most-favorite secret ingredients been on "Top Chef"? I think my least favorite was for the second battle I ever did. It was [a]

"You can't wear clogs and be an Iron Chef. Put sneakers on ... you're going to be running."

whole hog, and it was crazy. It was so intense trying to get the hogs broken down in order to get started. My favorite? I think the honey battle was pretty cool. They had these giant vats of colored honey — I was blown away.

You just opened a restaurant at Disney World, right? It's called Kouzzina by Cat Cora. It's my first high-end restaurant. Kouzzina is Greek for kitchen. It's a Greek-inspired restaurant. We just had the grand opening.

What's on the menu? Cinnamon-stewed chicken, the lamb shanks or the whole roasted fish prepared with fennel, olives and peppers.

You have four children and a lot on your plate professionally. Aren't you exhausted? I think I'm past that point. Now it's just kind of happening. I wouldn't change a minute of it, though. I have a wonderful partner and four boys under the age of six. I think they're the ones that continue to inspire me and make me want to be more creative. And I have a great team — it takes a village for me, both personally and professionally. KARMAH ELMUSA (EXPRESS)



EVENT HORIZON A Real Shoe-In Expect a stampede of fashionistas at the Tysons Galleria Neiman Marcus Saturday, 1-4 p.m., when heel boy Christian Louboutin makes an appearance. The Parisian footwear designer will sign shoes (purchased at the store, one per customer) and participate in a Q&A with Roopal Patel, accessory editor for Neiman. 2255 International Drive, McLean, Va.; 703-761-1600.



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MONOPOLY HAS RELEASED special editions both bold ("Star Wars") and bizarre (um, the Beatles). But Monopoly City (\$35, Amazon.com), with its greedy, real-estate mogul vibe, seems more like the Depression-era original than a game subbing Abbey Road for Park Place. Players (who get \$2 million when they pass "Go") compete to build skyscrapers and to sabotage opponents' land with sewage plants. You'll end up mortgaged to the max, but that makes it all feel as current as the subprime mess.

dear manolo

ANSWERS FROM THE SHOE BLOGGER

I've been living in Central Asia for the past six years, so I've been out of the fashion loop and don't know what's in style. I have a denim pencil skirt that I wore with slides in summer. But what do I do now that it's cooler? I tried it with boots, but it looked like I had on Wellingtons and a gunnysack. At least I know that the hippie thing is a faux pas. — TRACEY

■ Manolo says, the way the Manolo's friend has described her exile, it is as if she were the movie star trapped on Gilligan's Island, without access to Vogue or basic cable television.



And now the rescue boat has arrived, and she realizes that she has been wearing the same out-of-date, peach-colored Bob Mackie gown the whole six years.

"Ayyyyy! Professor Manolo, help me!" She shouts, "The paparazzi will be waiting for me at the pier. Hurry! Style me so I may not be embarrassed by my photo on the cover of People"

"Here," says the Professor Manolo, "I have fashioned you this denim pencil skirt out of the Skipper's pants. Wear it with these thick, ribbed tights and these retro, oxford-style suede booties that have washed ashore. They are the Elise from Via Spiga (\$224.95, Zappos.com), and I have scientifically calculated that the trends this year include ankle boots such as these and patterned tights. You should be fine."



Ask the Manolo a question at manolo@shoeblogs.com. Visit the Manolo at shoeblogs.com.

Secretary Of Style

IS IT POSSIBLE to dress demurely yet still look sexy? The designers of new women's wear line Eva Khurshid, Nyla Hashmi and Fatima Monkush, think so. The duo (both Muslims seeking conservative-yet-chic clothes) create "His Girl Friday"-ish silk blouses (shown, \$315), jewel-hued party frocks and wool pencil skirts (\$265). The duo will host a trunk show at Terra (1706 Connecticut Ave. NW; 202-232-8581) today from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.

4 No-Net Setup

THE CURRENT RAGE FOR biology-lab decor means praying mantises are mounted and hung in the den, and stuffed squirrels perch in the powder rooms of hipsters. Bringing such earthy style into one's boudoir, though, tends to be icky, not chi-chi, unless you bed down with West Elm's new butterfly duvet cover (\$129-\$159) and shams (\$29-\$34, all Westelm.com). Bonus: No winged creatures were chloroformed making the vintage-inspired print.



Grab Bag



Chop Talk

FOODIES TEND TO be a picky bunch. So, when crafting its new Elite processor, the team at Cuisinart carefully considered complaints from at-home chefs about earlier versions of its slicing, dicing, smoothie-splicing machines. The result: a powerful kitchen gadget (\$250, Surlatable.com) that purrs while pureeing — and won't leak leek soup on your counter tops, thanks to its locking blade. Also new and improved: a dough button and an easy-to-pour-from bowl.

Dirty Business

3 ACCORDING TO Expedia, a flight from Dulles to Amman, Jordan — a prime jumping-off point for visiting the Dead Sea — starts at \$1,240. Save yourself a chunk of change by splurging instead on Ahava's new mineral mud body mask (\$25, Ahava.com), featuring goop harvested straight from the sea's mineral-laden banks, a source of health and healing potions since Moses was young. Slather it on while sipping a fruity cocktail to replicate the full seaside resort experience.





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When it comes to good grooming, guys usually catch a break. Forget to shave? A five o'clock shadow passes for scruffily sexy. (Not so much on a woman's legs.) Six months between haircuts? Shaggy hair equals surfer cool. Calloused hands? That's a sign of a hard-working dude. But in an era of metrosexuals and a manly yet manicured president, those excuses start to fall flat. And, truthfully, there's no good way to justify those long yellow toenails hanging out of your flip-flops, Howard Hughes Jr.

A cabinet full of facial products isn't a stretch for a guy with a longtime subscription to Details mag. But can your average, Capitals-loving dad embrace the pore-cleansing mud mask? This reporter was slathered, scrubbed and softened by a bunch of treatments to see whether he could still feel like a man — even when sporting a good mani/pedi. **CHRISTOPHER PORTER (EXPRESS)**

SCOURING THE DIGITS

WHAT: The Manly-cure (\$25), Basic Pedicure (\$55) and Callus Conqueror (\$15)

WHERE: Bliss Spa (W Hotel, 515 15th St. NW, 877-862-5477; Blissworld.com)

WHAT TO EXPECT: While my face still looks (somewhat) youthful, my hands are starting to give away their (cough) 40-year-old age, especially the dull, craggy nails. My feet? They're usually hidden by sneakers, and I clip my toenails only when my wife starts to call me Wolverine. At Bliss' nail station (you sit on a couchy throne for feet and at a clinical table for hands), beautician Renia Williams carefully trimmed, shaped and buffed each nail — but not so much that they looked overly done or feminine — and sloughed off my beast-like foot calluses with a diamond-encrusted foot file. (The air swirled — ew — with a blizzard of dead skin.) The extra Callus Conqueror — a treatment meant to eliminate my hardened soles via a battalion of thick creams and a long soaking — left my dogs feeling as soft as my toddlers'.

BEST PART: The manicure lasted for a long time; I didn't dull the buffed nails or tear the carefully rounded cuts until I yanked leaves out of the gutter, sans gloves, two weeks later.

WORST PART: Super-shiny buffed fingernails were an odd sight on my sausage-like digits. Luckily, my bowling league was on hiatus — I'm pretty sure the guys would've heckled me straight back to the spa.



grooming **lookout****PORE ME**

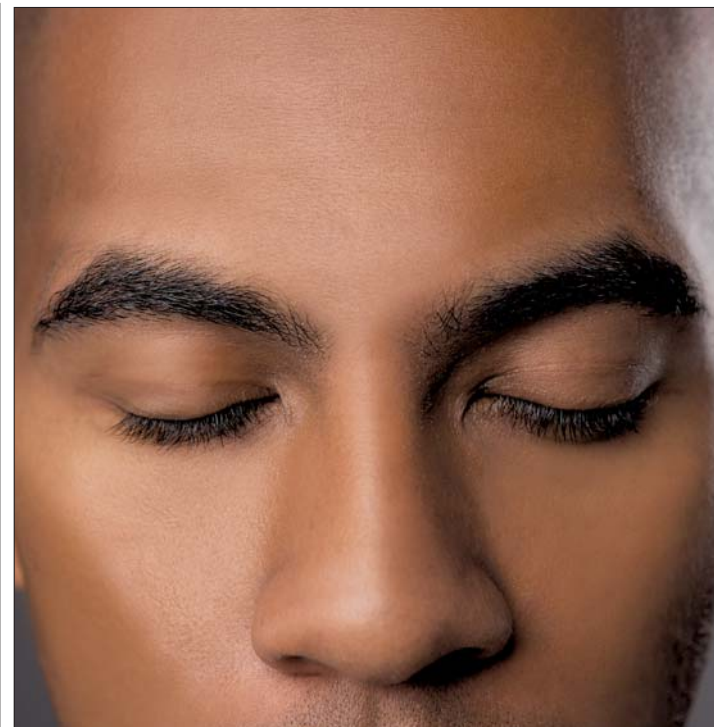
WHAT: Cleansing Face Treatment (\$80)

WHERE: Grooming Lounge (1745 L St. NW, 202-466-8900; Groominglounge.com)

WHAT TO EXPECT: In a darkened room, under the watchful gaze of photos of the Rat Pack and Sean Connery as James Bond, I sprawled out on a massage table as aesthetician Claudia Duran exfoliated my greasy mug with cleansers, creams and steam. As the stuff sank in, she also delivered a soothing shoulder rub.

BEST PART: Duran dug deep into my forehead, nose and cheeks to produce more oil and cheese than OPEC and France combined. Since I have sinkholes for pores, I felt bad for her — and then envied that she basically gets to pop zits for a living. Result: Smooth skin without the bumps or blackheads.

WORST PART: My extra-moisturized face broke out like a 13-year-old's (a common side effect, especially for facial virgins). It took a week for the pimples to calm down, but by then the oil had filled my pores again, basically rendering all that hard work moot.

**CUTTING BACKS**

WHAT: Remington's Body & Back Groomer (\$40, Remington-store.com)

WHAT TO EXPECT: Kinder than the waxing Steve Carell's chest-hair suffered in "The 40-Year-Old



SUZANNE HANOVER

Virgin," this new, easy-to-use shaver boasts different options to cut down overly bushy chest, back and "other" hair, minus the pain. It can also be used

to give your head hair and eyebrows a quick trim.

BEST PART: The groomer can go in the shower, meaning all your ape shavings will pool in the strainer, not on the bathroom floor.

WORST PART: You'll need a wingman with a stomach of steel to tackle any back hair grooming.

BOTTLE SERVICE

WHAT: Molton Brown Re-Charge Black Pepper Bodyscrub Bar (\$22, Moltonbrown.com); Anthony's face products (\$20-\$25, Anthony.com); Alchimie Forever's Antioxidant Skin Repair Gel (\$55) and Superpulse Tightening Eye Contour Gel (\$45, Alchimie-forever.com)

WHAT TO EXPECT: Men's products have come a long way since a slap of Old Spice counted as "classy." I've secretly dabbled in my wife's exfoliating cleansers but never knew how undergroomed I really was, according to these products. As someone whose idea of a face wash was a quick rub of Irish Spring, fitting in a product routine was a time-consuming adjustment.

BEST PART: My drugstore soap was stripping my skin, so switching to the combo of Anthony's face products left my skin better moisturized, healthy and (Dare I say it?) glowing. And I found I really liked regularly exfoliating — it made my itchy, sandpapery dermis feel soft. **WORST PART:** For as many products as I liked, there were just as many I didn't. (The ones above were my faves.) It's best to test with product samples first.

SHAVING FACE

WHAT: The Royal Shave (\$55)

WHERE: The Art of Shaving (1050 Connecticut Ave. NW, 202-223-1433; Theartofshaving.com)

WHAT TO EXPECT: I de-stubble only when absolutely necessary, so this thorough — and thoroughly spa-like — experience amounted to a royal treatment. Barber Ian Andrews plopped me in an ornate reclining chair, applied oil to soften my growth and followed with a hot-towel wrap to open my pores. He lathered me up, then carefully scraped my bark-like beard with a straight razor before applying a soothing, mud-like mask, followed by hydrating rose water and a lavender aftershave balm. By the end, my normally Colin Farrell-esque cheeks felt baby soft.

BEST PART: The all-natural products, which didn't irritate my sensitive skin.

WORST PART: With no fancy occasions in my future, I can't justify the \$55 price tag again.

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A Well-Traveled Route

'Amelia' is a formulaic portrayal of a truly exceptional woman

FILM | Amelia Earhart wore pants.

Also, neckties and a boy's tousled haircut — at least according to "Amelia," a drama starring Hilary Swank as the pioneering aviator.

She also took a rather casual

Also out this week:

"ASTRO BOY"

has a mid-20th-century pedigree and a sci-fi setting, but is almost defiantly a movie of today, writes The Post's Michael O'Sullivan.



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attitude toward sexual fidelity in her marriage to publisher George Putnam (Richard Gere).

Oh, yeah. She also became, in 1928, the first woman to fly solo across the Atlantic, during a time when a lot of women didn't even drive. Later, she and Fred Noonan (Christopher Eccleston) would come darn close to circumnavigating the globe. That is, until



IN-FLIGHT ENTERTAINMENT: Hilary Swank portrays Earhart, a fascinating character who isn't done justice in this biopic.

their plane disappeared over the Pacific in 1937.

Earhart was an unconventional woman. Extraordinary, even.

So, why does this biography, directed by Mira Nair ("The Namesake") from a script by Ron Bass and Ann Hamilton Phelan, feel so by the book? (Two, actually. It's based on "East to the Dawn" and "The Sound of Wings.")

Could it be because most of us already know all that stuff about Earhart's accomplishments and

still-mysterious death? As the film opens, with Earhart about to set off on what was to be her last global adventure, who can't see how it's all going to end?

At times, the movie feels more like a History Channel documentary — respectful to the point of reverential — than a rip-snorting yarn. In the end, the biggest mystery isn't what happened to the pilot, but what happened to the human. MICHAEL O'SULLIVAN

(THE WASHINGTON POST)

'AMELIA'

→ **DIRECTOR:** Mira Nair

→ **STARS:** Hilary Swank, Richard Gere, Christopher Eccleston, Ewan McGregor

→ **IN A NUTSHELL:** This film depicts the life and times of Amelia Earhart, a woman who lived by her own rules and was the first female to pilot a plane across the Atlantic Ocean.

→ **FOR FANS OF:** "The Aviator," "The Namesake," "Coco Before Chanel"

nightlife agenda



Howard University alum Eric Roberson will serenade his alma mater tonight.

FRIDAY

The current king of Howard University alumni in the entertainment biz (people who actually graduated, and that's why Diddy doesn't count) is riding high from the release of his "Music Fan First" album. Indie R&B star Eric Roberson will be bathed in adoration during his consecutive Howard Homecoming shows at **LIV**.

SATURDAY

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Vampire Overkill

A fang-filled flick trades on the genre but misses the mark

FILM | They're everywhere: vampires. In movies such as "Twilight" and TV series such as "True Blood." And in young adult books. "Cirque du Freak: The Vampire's Assistant" is culled from Darren Shan's four — count 'em, four — trilogies about a 16-year-old boy (Darren) who becomes the involuntary assistant of a vampire known as Larten Crepsley.

And you, like the rest of the consumer lambs, are drawn to it all and might again be drawn to "Cirque," a movie that pulls two teenage boys deep into a world of vampires, killer spiders, bearded ladies and weird little guys in dark shawls who look like young cousins of Gollum/Smeagol from "The Lord of the Rings."

Salma Hayek plays the bearded lady, part of the circus show that gets the story rolling. When tick-



Crepsley (John C. Reilly) escorts his girlfriend Madame Truska (Salma Hayek).

ets to Cirque du Freak fall into the hands of 16-year-old best pals Darren (Chris Massoglia) and Steve (Josh Hutcherson), they decide to check it out. After watching a big-top parade of snake people and monkey-tailed girls, they become fascinated with Crepsley (John C. Reilly), a performer who puts on a great show with his oversize, poisonous spider, Madame Octa.

"Cirque du Freak" has its moments of fun, many of them

having to do with Reilly's deadpan comic style. But the movie lacks the original edge of its better predecessors. If serious, hard-core vampire movies for adults are the equivalent of spicy Bloody Marys, think of "Cirque du Freak: The Vampire's Assistant" as a watered-down Shirley Temple. Glug it down and, after the sugar rush, little sense of fulfillment filters through your system. **DESSON THOMSON**
(THE WASHINGTON POST)

Now Playing

CAPITALISM: A LOVE STORY (R, 127 minutes) In one of his best movies, Michael Moore aims to tap into public anger about last year's economic meltdown and subsequent government bailout, and wake people up to the historic and deeply political roots of the problem. Moore sets out to define and deconstruct just how America arrived at the brink of financial disaster, which he places firmly at the door of Ronald Reagan and the free-market fundamentalists who advised him. Reagan and Treasury Secretary Donald Regan had two goals, according to Moore: to increase short-term profits for Wall Street through deregulation and to break the country's unions. (AH)
CLOUDY WITH A CHANCE OF MEATBALLS (PG, 81 minutes) It's true



Max (Max Records) hugs KW (Lauren Ambrose) in "Where the Wild Things Are."

entertainment **lookout**

that any film that crams so many jokes into its brief running time risks making audiences feel as overstuffed as if they'd just eaten a school-size pancake. That's why it's a lucky thing that so many of the jokes are great! Writer-directors Phil Lord and Chris Miller populate the island of Swallow Falls with wacky characters and let them loose in inventive ways. Take would-be scientist Flint Lockwood (voice of Bill Hader). Flint's latest invention makes it rain cheeseburgers. And bacon. And ice cream. But when Flint's device goes haywire and Swallow Falls is menaced by a perfect storm of enormous food, it's up to the colorful characters to save the day. (DK)

COCO BEFORE CHANEL (PG-13, 110 minutes) As the film opens, two young girls are being deposited by their father at an orphanage in France in the late 19th century. They are Gabrielle and Adrienne Chanel, who, as grown women, take up singing in cafes and pursuing wealthy men as a means of getting on in the world. The prospect-free Gabrielle (Audrey Tautou) presents herself at the door of Étienne Balsan (Benoît Poelvoorde), a wealthy racehorse owner. Living as a kept woman, Gabrielle — nicknamed Coco for her trademark song — alternately indulges and chafes at a lifestyle that entails being constantly available sexually yet kept out of sight when society comes calling. Tautou's performance is somber and un-showy; indeed she rarely smiles, at least before Balsan's friend Arthur "Boy" Capel (Alessandro Nivola), and Coco embarks on the relationship that would launch her into new territory, personally and professionally. (AH)

COUPLES RETREAT (PG-13, 90 minutes) The characters here live in a world of marital clichés. They're all worried about keeping the spark alive after years of togetherness. So, they escape to Eden Resort, an all-inclusive tropical getaway designed to revitalize rundown marriages. As the turquoise water laps in the background, they do couples therapy and couples yoga. The latter allows a beefy instructor to put the wives in compromising positions, thereby challenging the husbands' masculinity. This scene goes for safe, easy, sexist laughs.

As does the rest of the movie. (DZ)

GOOD HAIR (PG-13, 95 minutes) "Daddy, how come I don't have good hair?" It might be the most loaded and universal question within the black community. And it's the question — asked by his then-5-year-old daughter — that propels comedian Chris Rock throughout a hilariously funny documentary. Rock did not have an answer for

his daughter, so he embarked on a madcap tour through beauty and barber shops, the Bronner Bros. Hair Show and finally India, where the most coveted source material for hair extensions is grown. Along the way, he interviews celebrities in search of that perennially vexing question: What is it about black people's hair that freaks out white people so much? The film is such a rollicking, thoroughly entertaining ride

that it's easy to take for granted just how easy Rock makes it look. (AH)

THE INFORMANT! (R, 108 minutes) Steven Soderbergh delivers a cool, slyly funny psychological caper in which the true-life tale of a corporate whistleblower is extruded through Soderbergh's dry sense of satire and nostalgia for 1970s cinema style into a nifty, if a bit bloodless, bagatelle. A virtually unrecogniz-

able Matt Damon plays Mark Whitacre, who in the 1990s exposed price fixing at Archer Daniels Midland, where he worked as a high-level executive. Doing his best Philip Seymour Hoffman impersonation, the porn-mustached and well-padded Damon keeps up a chirpy interior monologue throughout, digressing into woolly meditations that ping manically from corn to Japanese sex fetishes. It all clicks

along with satisfying wit and weirdness, and through it all Soderbergh retains his characteristic reserve and distance from the action at hand. (AH)

THE INVENTION OF LYING (PG-13, 100 minutes) In this subversively amusing religious satire, Ricky Gervais plays Mark Bellison, who lives in a town where no one has ever lied. Mark shows up for a first

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break outside a restaurant and in three minutes flat have her deep in granular sex talk. Thus, a writer, played by Ethan Hawke, approaches an attractive woman in this compendium of short films, woven into a light but enjoyable soufflé of erotic vignettes. The New York installment of Emmanuel Benbihi's "Cities of Love" series attracted a starry cast of actors and an intriguing cross section of edgy-

er directors. Natalie Portman makes her directing debut in perhaps the weakest of the 11 shorts, but she appears to better effect as an actress in Mira Nair's touching film about a Hasidic woman and a Jain man coming together for an erotic, cross-cultural moment while haggling in New York's Diamond District. The real test of the Cities of Love series will come over time, as the social nuance of differ-

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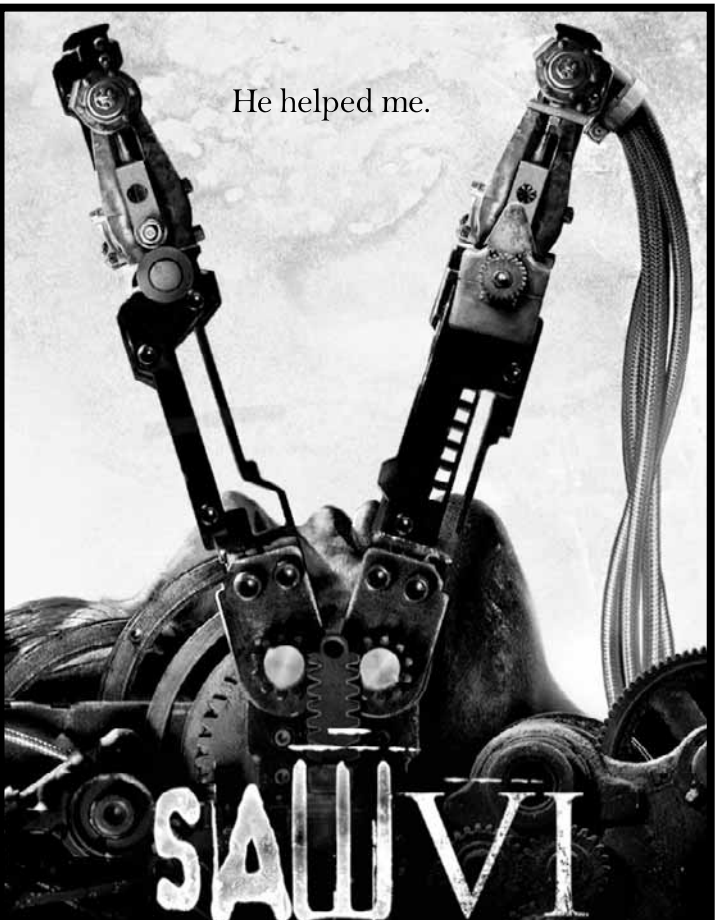
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PARANORMAL ACTIVITY (R, 99 minutes) This genuinely chilling, low-budget indie — shot back in 2006 by first-time filmmaker Oren Peli — tells the story of a demonic force plaguing a young woman and, by extension, her boyfriend within the claustrophobic walls of their sparsely furnished San Diego home. “You can’t run from this,” a psychic helpfully tells Katie (Katie Featherston). Micah (Micah Sloat), responds by setting up a video camera to document exactly what happens each night when they tuck into their comfy, king-sized bed. At first, little registers. And then, things start to get really freaky. JEN CHANEY

A SERIOUS MAN (R, 105 minutes) Joel and Ethan Coen return to the Minneapolis suburb of their childhood when physics professor Larry Gopnik (Michael Stuhlbarg) discovers that his comfortable life is quickly dissolving around him. His wife, Judith (Sari Lennick), wants a divorce so she can marry her lover, Sy Ableman (Fred Melamed). Larry’s brother Arthur (Richard Kind), who has been sleeping on the Gopniks’ couch, shows no signs of leaving the house. The Gopnik children, Danny and Sarah, fight continually. And Larry entertains ethical dilemmas that define daily life, from whether to wait for Arthur before starting dinner to dealing with a disgruntled student who wants to bribe Larry for a better grade. (AH)

WHERE THE WILD THINGS ARE (PG, 101 minutes) Director Spike Jonze’s movie is one that manages to create its own reality and meaning, even while it brings Maurice Sendak’s visual world to life with startling accuracy. Jonze, who wrote the screenplay with novelist Dave Eggers, makes a number of radical departures from Sendak’s book. He populates Max’s world with an indifferent older sister and a single mother (Catherine Keener), whose date ignites the tantrum. Max (Max Records) runs out of the house, giving his escape a much more dangerous psychological edge. Jonze faithfully re-creates the book’s atmosphere, though he and Eggers have given the monsters names and distinct personalities. Max develops a friendship with one of them, Carol (James Gandolfini), whose explosive anger Max instinctively recognizes. Jonze has achieved with the cinematic medium what Sendak did with words and pictures: He has grasped something true and terrifying about what it means to love. (AH)

WHIP IT (PG-13, 111 minutes) Drew

Barrymore’s directorial debut is one of those movies that looks on paper like a no-can-lose proposition. The story of a meek teenage beauty queen named Bliss (Ellen Page), who finds her inner bad girl and true calling in an amateur Austin roller derby, clearly has action, physical comedy and a healthy dose of coming-of-age sentiment going for it. But the film sags when it should skedaddle; Barrymore makes

the most of the bumptious energy of roller derby smackdowns, but she too often smooths out the rough edges that make that world so compelling. (AH)

ZOMBIELAND (R, 83 minutes) Directed by D.C. native Ruben Fleischer, the film finds our hero on the run from zombies. These zombies are humans who’ve been infected with a virus that makes them search for human flesh on which to

feast. Our hero (Jesse Eisenberg) meets a highway cowboy (Woody Harrelson), and the oddball pair travel on together, referring to each other by the names of their home towns: “Tallahassee” and “Columbus.” They run into a pair of non-zombie sisters, “Little Rock” (Abigail Breslin) and “Wichita” (Emma Stone), and set off for an amusement park that’s purportedly zombie-free.

Eisenberg evokes deadpan Michael Cera-ness, Bill Murray shows up for a semi-fun cameo, and Harrelson seems to be having a good time. (RM)



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GOOD HAIR (PG-13) (105 335) 705 1035
ZOMBIELAND (R) - ID REQ'D (115 405) 735 1020
INVENTION OF LYING (PG-13) 1005 PM

BETHESDA 10
1717 Wisconsin Avenue 800-FANDANGO 565#

ASTRO BOY (PG) (1200 210 430) 650 910
CIRQUE DU FREAK: THE VAMPIRE'S ASSISTANT (PG-13) (1130 155 420) 720 1010
SAW VI (R) - ID REQ'D ★ (100 315 530) 740 1000
STEP FATHER (PG-13) (1145 215 445) 715 940
LAW ABIDING CITIZEN (R) - ID REQ'D (100 345) 710 950
WHERE THE WILD THINGS ARE (PG) ★ (1145 210 435) 700 925
COUPLES RETREAT (PG-13) (1130 205 450) 730 1005
INVENTION OF LYING (PG-13) (220 PM)
PARANORMAL ACTIVITY (R) - ID REQ'D (1220 120 330 440 540) 640 750 845 955 1045
CLOUDY WITH A CHANCE OF MEATBALLS 3D - EVENT PRICE (PG) ★ (1140 150 400) 630 840

BOWIE STADIUM 14
15200 Major Lansdale Blvd 800-FANDANGO 454#

PARANORMAL ACTIVITY (R) - ID REQ'D (1120 100 145 315 400 530) 615 745 830 1015 1050
ASTRO BOY (PG) (130 315 530) 740 1000
CIRQUE DU FREAK: THE VAMPIRE'S ASSISTANT (PG-13) (1130 200 430) 700 930
SAW VI (R) - ID REQ'D ★ (1210 1245 115 300 345 515) 600 730 815 1000 1045
CLOUDY WITH A CHANCE OF MEATBALLS 3D - EVENT PRICE (PG) ★ (1200 210 440) 705 920
LAW ABIDING CITIZEN (R) - ID REQ'D (1110 105 150 355 445) 640 740 935 1020
STEP FATHER (PG-13) (1105 1205 130 230 415 455) 645 720 915 945
WHERE THE WILD THINGS ARE (PG) ★ (1125 215 450) 715 950
GOOD HAIR (PG-13) (1135 220 500) 725 955
COUPLES RETREAT (PG-13)

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GALLERY PLACE STADIUM 14
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ASTRO BOY (PG) (1145 210) 430 710 940
CIRQUE DU FREAK: THE VAMPIRE'S ASSISTANT (PG-13) (1130 205) 440 720 1010 1240
SAW VI - DP (R) - ID REQ'D ★ (100) 320 545 810 1035 1250
SAW VI (R) - ID REQ'D (1215 240) 510 730 1000 1220
OC: STEP FATHER (PG-13) (1200 PM)
STEP FATHER (PG-13) (230) 505 745 915 1015
LAW ABIDING CITIZEN (R) - ID REQ'D (1245) 400 715 1030
WHERE THE WILD THINGS ARE (PG) ★ (1130 155) 420 700 930 1155
DAMNED UNITED (R) - ID REQ'D (1230 300) 530 800 1025 1245
GOOD HAIR (PG-13) (1150 225) 445 715 940 1215
COUPLES RETREAT (PG-13) (1140 215) 450 735 1030
INVENTION OF LYING (PG-13) (1135 AM)
ZOMBIELAND (R) - ID REQ'D (200) 410 620 835 1045 1250
PARANORMAL ACTIVITY (R) - ID REQ'D (1210 120 250) 350 520 615 740 830 955 1040 1210 1250
THE INFORMANT (R) - ID REQ'D 1200 AM
CLOUDY WITH A CHANCE OF MEATBALLS 3D - EVENT PRICE (PG) ★ (1155 220 435) 650 915 1130

BALLSTON COMMON STADIUM 12
671 N Glebe Rd 800-FANDANGO 377#

AMELIA (PG) (130 420) 720 1010
CIRQUE DU FREAK: THE VAMPIRE'S ASSISTANT (PG-13) (140 425) 740 1020
PARANORMAL ACTIVITY (R) - ID REQ'D (1245 210 310 435 535) 700 800 930 1030
STEP FATHER (PG-13) (125 415) 715 955
COUPLES RETREAT (PG-13) (200 500) 650 750 940 1040
CAPITALISM: A LOVE STORY (R) - ID REQ'D (150 PM 510 PM) 800 PM
TOY STORY 3D - DOUBLE FEATURE (G) ★ (330 PM) 730 PM
CLOUDY WITH A CHANCE OF MEATBALLS 3D - EVENT PRICE (PG) ★ (22 450) 710 935
THE INFORMANT (R) - ID REQ'D (105 400) 640 920
CLOUDY WITH A CHANCE OF MEATBALLS (PG) (125 PM 350 PM)
JULIE & LUDIA (PG-13) (1245 310 535) 800 1025
CIRQUE DU FREAK: THE VAMPIRE'S ASSISTANT (PG-13) (1245 310 535) 800 1025

POTOMAC YARD STADIUM 16
5675 Jefferson Davis Hwy 800-FANDANGO 690#

PARANORMAL ACTIVITY - DP (R) - ID REQ'D (1210 435) 700 925 1155
SAW VI (R) - ID REQ'D ★ (1210 140 240 410 510) 640 740 910 1010 1115 1200
ASTRO BOY (PG) (205 440) 710 940
CIRQUE DU FREAK: THE VAMPIRE'S ASSISTANT (PG-13) (1050 145 430) 730 1015
LAW ABIDING CITIZEN (R) - ID REQ'D (1250 150 355 455) 650 750 950 1050
STEP FATHER (PG-13) (335) 625 905 1140
OC: STEP FATHER (PG-13) (1255 PM)
WHERE THE WILD THINGS ARE (PG) ★ (100 200 345 445) 620 720 900 1020
GOOD HAIR (PG-13) (120 415) 645 915 1145
COUPLES RETREAT (PG-13) (135 425) 725 1020
WHIP IT (PG-13) (420 PM) 1030 PM
INVENTION OF LYING (PG-13) (125 350) 615 840 1105
ZOMBIELAND (R) - ID REQ'D (125 350) 615 840 1105
CLOUDY WITH A CHANCE OF MEATBALLS 3D - EVENT PRICE (PG) ★ (120 400) 630 850
INGLORIOUS BASTARDS (R) - ID REQ'D (1240 PM) 725 PM
KINGSTOWNE STADIUM 16
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AMELIA (PG) (1250 345) 655 930
ASTRO BOY (PG) (1210 230 450) 705 925
CIRQUE DU FREAK: THE VAMPIRE'S ASSISTANT (PG-13) (1135 210 440) 715 955
SAW VI (R) - ID REQ'D ★ (1125 1245 140 305 405 520) 635 800 900 1030
RW: WHERE THE WILD THINGS ARE (PG) ★ (1220 245 510) 735
LAW ABIDING CITIZEN (R) - ID REQ'D (1115 1215 200 300 445) 620 730 910 1015
STEP FATHER (PG-13) (1230 340) 700 945
WHERE THE WILD THINGS ARE (PG) ★ (1120 150 415) 645 915
COUPLES RETREAT (PG-13) (1145 225 505) 745 1025
INVENTION OF LYING (PG-13) 1010 PM
TOY STORY 3D - DOUBLE FEATURE (G) ★ (1130 AM 330 PM) 725 PM
ZOMBIELAND (R) - ID REQ'D (1150 205 420) 650 935
PARANORMAL ACTIVITY (R) - ID REQ'D (1155 1255 215 315 425 530) 640 750 850 1005
CLOUDY WITH A CHANCE OF MEATBALLS 3D - EVENT PRICE (PG) ★ (1115 130 350) 625 845

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COUNTRYSIDE STADIUM 20
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PARANORMAL ACTIVITY (R) - ID REQ'D (1210 110 230 330 450 550) 710 810 930 1030
SAW VI (R) - ID REQ'D ★ (1220 150 250 420 520) 650 750 920 1020
AMELIA (PG) (1250 340) 625 910
ASTRO BOY (PG) (1205 235 500) 725 950
CIRQUE DU FREAK: THE VAMPIRE'S ASSISTANT (PG-13) (105 405) 700 940
OC: STEP FATHER (PG-13) (200 PM)
LAW ABIDING CITIZEN (R) - ID REQ'D (1215 115 310 410) 610 705 855 955
STEP FATHER (PG-13) (440 PM) 735 PM 1010 PM
WHERE THE WILD THINGS ARE (PG) ★ (120 220 355 455) 630 730 905 1005
COUPLES RETREAT (PG-13) (1240 325 430) 615 715 900 1000
WHIP IT (PG-13) (140 PM)
INVENTION OF LYING (PG-13) (305 PM) 635 PM 915 PM
CAPITALISM: A LOVE STORY (R) - ID REQ'D (1245 345) 645 945
TOY STORY 3D - DOUBLE FEATURE (G) ★ (1200 PM 400 PM) 800 PM
ZOMBIELAND (R) - ID REQ'D (1235 255 515) 740 1015
SURROGATES (PG-13) (540 PM) 805 PM 1025 PM
FAME (PG) (210 PM)
THE INFORMANT (R) - ID REQ'D (1225 PM)
CLOUDY WITH A CHANCE OF MEATBALLS (PG) (130 425) 655 925

FOX STADIUM 16
228.5 Crawford Pkz Asbun, VA 703-957-1035

RW & DA: CIRQUE DU FREAK: THE VAMPIRE'S ASSISTANT (PG-13) (240 520) 750 1020
ASTRO BOY (PG) (230 450) 700 930
SAW VI (R) - ID REQ'D ★ (1230 250 510) 730 1000
WHERE THE WILD THINGS ARE (PG) ★ (1250 210 320 440) 600 720 830 940
STEP FATHER (PG-13) (120 345) 620 840
LAW ABIDING CITIZEN (R) - ID REQ'D (1225 300 540) 815
COUPLES RETREAT (PG-13) (1240 220 330 500) 610 740 850 1015
WHIP IT (PG-13) 910 PM
INVENTION OF LYING (PG-13) (400 PM) 850 PM
TOY STORY 3D - DOUBLE FEATURE (G) ★ (350 PM) 745 PM
ZOMBIELAND (R) - ID REQ'D (110 340 550) 820 1025
PARANORMAL ACTIVITY (R) - ID REQ'D (100 200 310 420 530) 710 810 920 1030
SURROGATES (PG-13) (130 PM) 630 PM
FAME (PG) (140 PM 410 PM) 640 PM
CLOUDY WITH A CHANCE OF MEATBALLS (PG) (150 430) 650 900

FAIRFAX TOWNE CENTER 10
4110 W Ox Road 800-FANDANGO 570#

SAW VI (R) - ID REQ'D ★ (105 200 320 430 535) 700 800 930 1020 1150
ASTRO BOY (PG) (130 400) 700 940
CIRQUE DU FREAK: THE VAMPIRE'S ASSISTANT (PG-13) (140 440) 730 1010
NEW YORK, I LOVE YOU (R) - ID REQ'D (115 PM) 650 PM
GOOD HAIR (PG-13) (350 PM) 920 PM 1140 PM
INVENTION OF LYING (PG-13) (410 PM) 715 PM 950 PM
TOY STORY 3D - DOUBLE FEATURE (G) ★ (300 PM) 710 PM
ZOMBIELAND (R) - ID REQ'D (145 450) 750 1015
PARANORMAL ACTIVITY (R) - ID REQ'D (100 150 310 420 525) 640 740 910 1000 1130
FAME (PG) (125 PM)

MANASSAS STADIUM 14
11380 Bulloch Drive 800-FANDANGO 490#

ASTRO BOY (PG) (140 410) 630 900
CIRQUE DU FREAK: THE VAMPIRE'S ASSISTANT (PG-13) (230 500) 730 1020
SAW VI (R) - ID REQ'D ★ (1240 220 300 440 520) 720 800 950 1030
LAW ABIDING CITIZEN (R) - ID REQ'D (1230 200 345 450) 650 750 940 1040
STEP FATHER (PG-13) (1250 340) 610 840
WHERE THE WILD THINGS ARE (PG) ★ (100 210 350 430) 620 700 850
COUPLES RETREAT (PG-13) (130 420) 710 1000
INVENTION OF LYING (PG-13) 930 PM
ZOMBIELAND (R) - ID REQ'D (110 320 550) 810 1045
PARANORMAL ACTIVITY - DP (R) - ID REQ'D (240 510) 740 1010
PARANORMAL ACTIVITY (R) - ID REQ'D (150 400) 640 910
CLOUDY WITH A CHANCE OF MEATBALLS 3D - EVENT PRICE (PG) ★ (120 330) 600 830

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'Beautiful' Self-Promo

Bon Jovi assures us that it's a really cool band on Showtime

DOCUMENTARY | What's a group from Jersey gotta do to get some respect? Arena rock mega-stars of Bon Jovi have never been critical favorites, despite popular music, sold-out shows and the business-like efficiency of their operation. The promotional documentary "Bon Jovi: When We Were Beautiful" (9 p.m., Saturday, Showtime) strives to set the record straight. At times, it strives a little too hard

Jon Bon Jovi and the guys are quite open about the loneliness of the road, the pitfalls of the lifestyle and the ever-present tension between performing audience favorites and challenging fans with



Jon Bon Jovi and Richie Sambora rock out in "When We Were Beautiful."

new material. In fact, Bon Jovi seems intent on making us aware that the performing business is a bit of a chore — a gig with a big payoff, but a job notwithstanding. Jon Bon Jovi calls himself a "CEO."

Shot entirely in black and white, "Beautiful" seems burdened with the need to present Jon Bon

Jovi as an artist. Bereft of critical raves or third-party testimonials, the band members do a lot of talking about themselves. The guys discuss spiritual growth and side projects with a wide-eyed earnestness that tiptoes close to "Spinal Tap" territory. KEVIN MCDONOUGH (UNITED FEATURE SYNDICATE)

weekend lineup

FAMILY FEUDS

Jo Frost has a sticky case on her hands in the season premiere of **SUPERNANNY** (8 p.m., NBC, Fri.): a blended family in which the dad, Jason, dotes on his biological sons, doing everything for them — so they aren't learning to do anything for themselves.

FOR THE LOVE OF FASHION

On **UGLY BETTY** (9 p.m., ABC, Fri.), Hamish Linklater guest-stars as a new Gucci designer with whom Betty — aided by one of Hilda's connections — is trying to score a big scoop.

ODD COUPLE

The hits just seem to keep on coming on USA Network, and the latest, very likable entry is **WHITE COLLAR** (10 p.m., USA, Fri.), built around uptight FBI agent Peter Burke (Tim DeKay) and his unlikely partner, con man and prison escapee Neal Caffrey



Matthew Bomer as Neal Caffrey and Tim DeKay as Peter Burke in "White Collar."

(Matthew Bomer, "Chuck"), to hunt an elusive and vicious counterfeiter.

KIDS + AFFAIR = BAD

On **MERCY** (8 p.m., NBC, Sat.), Veronica must decide whether her

affair with Dr. Sands is really over when Mike pressures her to start a family.

PROOF'S IN THE FOOTAGE

On **BORED TO DEATH** (9:35, HBO, Sun.), a married New Jersey man (guest star Geoffrey Cantor) hires Jonathan to retrieve a sex tape from a female escort who is using it to blackmail him in "The Case of the Beautiful Blackmailer."

HE'S COMING TO DINNER

On **BROTHERS & SISTERS** (10 p.m., ABC, Sun.), Sarah's new lover, Luc (Gilles Marini), charms the entire family except Nora, who later comes around and finds him a great comfort during a difficult time.

MOMMY DEAREST

On **DESPERATE HOUSEWIVES** (9 p.m., ABC, Sun.), Gaby tries to prove that she is a responsible parent. Meanwhile, Katherine and Susan come to blows over Mike, and Bree runs into a judgmental motel maid. (TRIBUNE MEDIA)

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(I) 11:10, 1:20, 3:30, 5:40, 8:00, 10:10
PARANORMAL ACTIVITY (R)
(I) 11:20, 1:30, 3:40, 5:50, 8:10, 10:15
VAMPIRE'S ASSISTANT (PG-13)
11:35, 2:20, 5:10, 7:50, 10:25
WHERE THE WILD THINGS ARE (PG)
(I) 11:45, 2:30, 5:20, 7:50, 10:30
THE STEPFATHER (PG-13)
(I) 11:45, 2:30, 5:20, 8:00, 10:30
LAW ABIDING CITIZEN (R)
(I) 11:35, 2:20, 5:10, 7:50, 10:25
CLOUDY WITH A CHANCE OF MEATBALLS (PG)
11:20, 1:30, 3:40, 5:50, 8:10, 10:15

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COCO BEFORE CHANEL (PG-13)
1:40, 4:20, 6:50, 9:40
A SERIOUS MAN (R)
1:15, 2:15, 4:45, 6:15, 7:15, 8:45, 9:45
MORE THAN A GAME (PG)
3:45 PM
THE DAMNED UNITED (R)
2:30, 5:00, 7:30, 9:55
AMELIA (PG)
1:45, 4:15, 7:00, 9:30
NEW YORK, I LOVE YOU (R)
2:00, 4:30, 7:10, 10:00
PARIS (R)
12:50, 3:40, 6:30, 9:35

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SAW VI (R)
1:00, 3:00, 5:00, 7:00, 9:00, 10:55
LAW ABIDING CITIZEN (R)
11:45, 2:00, 4:15, 6:30, 8:40, 11:00
THE STEPFATHER (PG-13)
12:20, 2:25, 4:30, 6:35, 8:45, 10:50
WHERE THE WILD THINGS ARE (PG)
12:15, 2:15, 4:20, 6:25, 8:35, 10:35

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1:10, 3:15, 5:20, 7:25, 9:35
WHERE THE WILD THINGS ARE (PG)
1:00, 3:10, 5:20, 7:30, 9:40
CLOUDY WITH A CHANCE OF MEATBALLS (PG)
1:00, 3:00, 5:00, 7:10, 9:10

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COCO BEFORE CHANEL (PG-13)
9:45, 12:00, 2:35, 5:10, 7:50, 10:00
PARIS (R) 10:05, 1:00, 4:00, 7:10
CAPITALISM: A LOVE STORY (R)
10:15, 4:15, 7:00
WHIP IT (PG-13) 1:15, 9:30
BRIGHT STAR (PG) 9:50, 2:30, 7:20
THE INFORMANT (R) 12:05, 5:00, 9:40

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12:05, 2:15, 4:45, 7:10, 9:30

SAW VI (R)
12:20, 2:40, 5:10, 7:45, 10:20

JAYEBHAVA (NR)
11:35, 3:05, 6:40, 10:10

WHERE THE WILD THINGS ARE (PG)
11:50, 2:05, 4:35, 6:50, 9:10

THE STEPFATHER (PG-13)
11:45, 2:00, 4:30, 7:00, 9:20

LAW ABIDING CITIZEN (R)
12:15, 2:30, 5:00, 7:20, 9:40

AADHAVAN (NR)
11:30, 2:55, 6:30, 10:00

COUPLES RETREAT (PG-13)
12:00, 2:45, 5:15, 7:45, 10:15

CLOUDY WITH A CHANCE OF MEATBALLS 3D (PG)
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COCO BEFORE CHANEL (PG-13)
1:20, 4:20, 7:20, 9:45

SHAUN OF THE DEAD (R)
12:00 AM

CAPITALISM: A LOVE STORY (R)
12:50, 3:50, 6:50, 9:50

CRUDE (NR)
1:15, 4:15, 7:15, 10:15

ANTICHRIST (NR)
12:45, 3:15, 5:45, 8:15, 10:45

AMELIA (PG)
12:10, 2:30, 5:00, 7:30, 10:00

ONG BAK 2: THE BEGINNING (R)
1:30, 4:10, 7:00, 9:30, 12:00

NEW YORK, I LOVE YOU (R)
1:05, 4:05, 7:05

MORE THAN A GAME (PG)
9:35, 11:55 PM



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RENEWAL Bloody Success The CW gave a full-season order to its Thursday-night hit "Vampire Diaries" and ordered five additional episodes of Tuesday-night non-hit "Melrose Place." The move represents an expected pickup for the Warner Bros.-produced "Vampires," which has been performing well for the network and even demonstrated growth in recent weeks. (THE HOLLYWOOD REPORTER)



Poll Center

DO YOU WORRY THAT YOU MIGHT NOT BE ABLE TO GET THE SWINE FLU VACCINE?

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS AS OF 5 P.M.

NO 92%
YES 8%

"I'm not worried, because I have no intention of getting the vaccine. Flu shots have never done anything for me except for getting me sick. I'll pass."

COMMENTER MASON SPENCER

"I know I'll take it eventually, but I'm never in a hurry to put a medicine in my body that was developed in a rush."

COMMENTER BRAD2

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"I AGREE [that Tom] Morello's music is sickening. But do these moralizers understand what real torture is?"

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THEHOLLYWOODGOSSIP.COM WAS IMPRESSED WITH THE FIRST LADY'S DOUBLE-DUTCH AND HULA-HOOP SKILLS, WHICH SHE DISPLAYED WEDNESDAY ON THE WHITE HOUSE'S SOUTH LAWN AS PART OF AN EXERCISE CAMPAIGN.



"If Fox News had done this, MSNBC would be playing the video clip 24/7 and screaming 'racism' from the highest rooftops."

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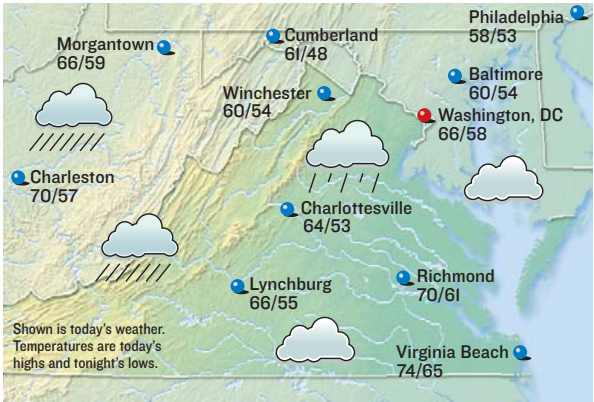
"THERE'S NO WAY we can condone the abominable crime of drunken driving. But we have to give style points to the dude who pleaded guilty this week to driving his motorized La-Z-Boy recliner into a parked car."

HEAVYTABLE.COM ADMIRES THE MINNESOTA MAN WHO PLEADED GUILTY TO A DWI IN HIS CHAIR, WHICH HAD A STEERING WHEEL AND HEADLIGHTS.

5 Day Forecast for the Washington Area

Today	Tonight	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
A little p.m. rain	Rain, mild	Rain, thunderstorm	Sunny, breezy	Mostly sunny	Rain possible
66°	58°	72° / 54°	63° / 49°	63° / 48°	63° / 52°

Regional Weather



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Washington, D.C., through 4 p.m. Thur.
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Low 52°
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Normal low 47°
Average humidity 63%

Precipitation

24 hours ending 4 p.m. 0.00"
Month to date 2.63"
Normal month to date 2.32"
Year to date 32.60"
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Normal year to date 32.37"

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Regional Forecast

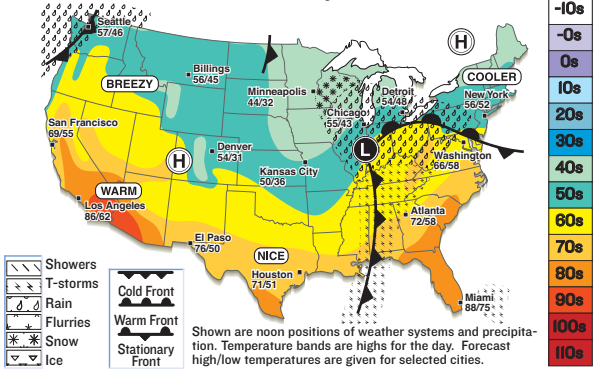
D.C. Metro: Today, mostly cloudy, afternoon rain. High 66. Wind southeast 6-12 mph. Tonight, rain. Low 58. Wind south 7-14 mph.

Sun and Moon

Sunrise today 7:26 a.m.
Sunset tonight 6:19 p.m.
Moonrise today 12:50 p.m.
Moonset today 10:14 p.m.



National Weather for Friday, October 23



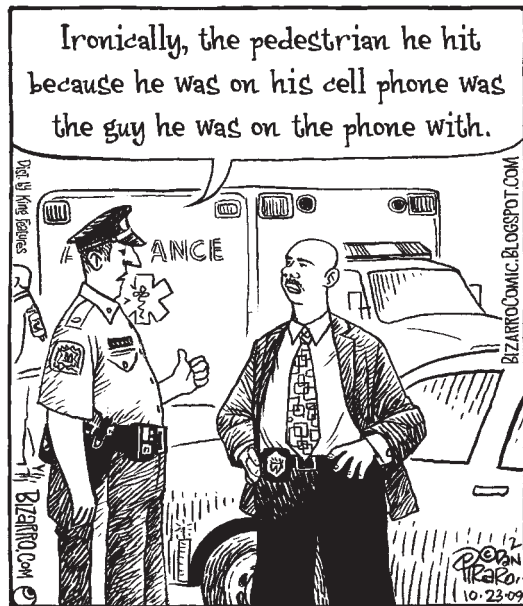
National Cities

City	Today Hi/Lo/W	Sat. Hi/Lo/W
Atlanta	72/58/t	63/48/pc
Boston	50/45/s	64/54/r
Chicago	55/43/r	49/40/sh
Dallas	66/50/s	70/59/s
Denver	54/31/pc	61/32/c
Honolulu	86/74/pc	86/74/pc
Los Angeles	86/62/s	83/62/s
Miami	88/75/pc	90/76/t
New York City	56/52/r	68/57/r
Orlando	88/69/pc	89/67/t
Seattle	57/46/r	55/44/c

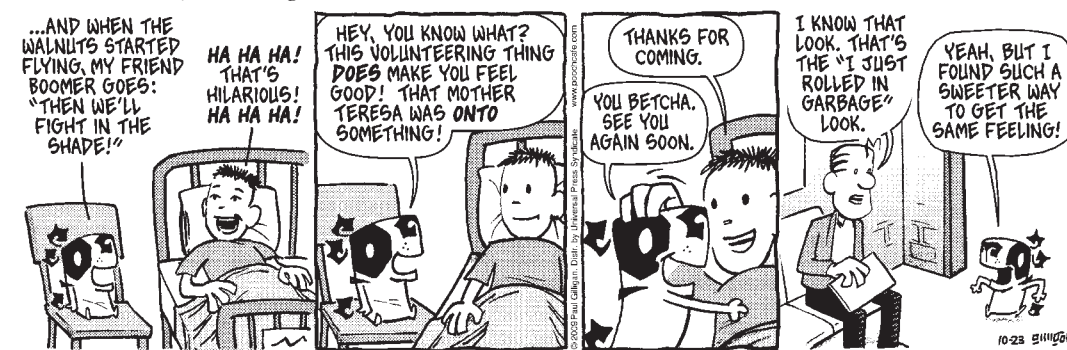
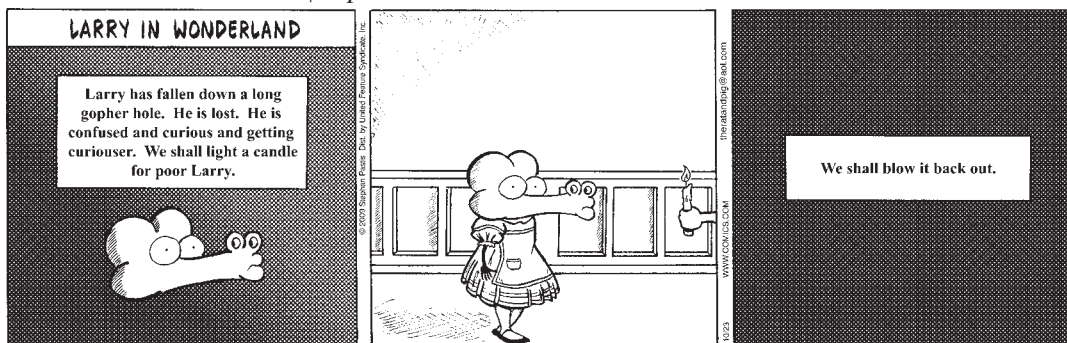
World Cities

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Amsterdam	55/47/pc	59/46/r
Athens	72/65/r	70/63/t
Berlin	48/40/pc	52/45/pc
Buenos Aires	84/50/t	66/45/s
Calgary	52/33/pc	44/21/c
Dublin	55/46/sh	57/45/r
Geneva	62/44/c	61/52/sh
Moscow	48/36/r	43/34/c
Rome	68/54/r	72/52/pc
Sydney	86/63/t	79/63/t
Tokyo	70/61/pc	66/61/pc

s-sunny, pc-partly cloudy, c-cloudy, sh-showers, t-thunderstorms, r-rain, sf-snow flurries, sn-snow, i-ice.

Bizarro | Dan Piraro**Cornered** | Mike Baldwin

"What, you mean like a bailout?"

Pooch Cafe | Paul Gilligan**Pearls Before Swine** | Stephan Pastis**The Duplex** | Glenn McCoy**Horoscope**

By Stella Wilder

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) Success depends on your ability to see everything around you in full focus. This takes practice, but you're getting good at it.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) You are closer to what you want than you know — and closer, too, than anyone else is likely to reveal. Discoveries lie ahead of you.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) An imaginative approach to a familiar problem can put you in the running for major recognition. The competition, however, is considerable.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) Others are looking at you expecting to learn something about themselves — and indeed they may, though not in the way they anticipate.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) The more effective you want to be, the more willing you must be to abandon those things that come naturally and easily.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Resist the temptation to do things in a random manner simply for the sake of experimen-

tation. Planning is key to success.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) You'll be called upon to change your plans with little or no notice. What you come up with as an alternative can be quite satisfying.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Someone who has been asking for your help is likely to get more than he or she bargained for once you swing into action.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) You can do things quickly and easily during the first part of the day, but later on you may encounter one or two unexpected obstacles.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) A slowdown needn't be interpreted in a negative fashion. It may be just what you need to get a handle on a tricky situation.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Others are doing what is important to them, so you can feel free to do what matters most to you — no matter what anyone says.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) You've been playing with fire lately, and you don't even know it. Today, however, the true effects of your actions will start to be felt.

Today in History

1917 U.S. troops see their first action in World War I near Luneville, France.

1954 Britain, France, United States and Soviet Union agree to end the occupation of Germany.

1983 Suicide attackers blow up the U.S. Marine headquarters building at the Beirut Airport in Lebanon, and nearby French headquarters with bomb-laden trucks, killing 241 Marines and 58 Frenchmen.

1992 President George H. W. Bush announces the Vietnamese government will turn over all documents, photographs and personal effects of U.S. personnel it collected in the Vietnam War.

1999 Illinois' George Ryan pays the first visit to communist Cuba by a U.S. governor since Fidel Castro's 1959 revolution,



Illinois Gov. George Ryan, left, visits communist Cuba on this day in 1999.

declaring he has come "to build bridges between people."

2007 NASA's space shuttle Discovery and a crew of seven rocket into orbit in pursuit of the international space station, where a formidable construction job awaits them.

lookout people



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Lil Wayne Pleads Guilty to Charges

LIL WAYNE pleaded guilty to attempted weapon possession on Thursday and expects to receive a one-year jail sentence. The performer previously had pleaded not guilty to illegal gun possession charges that carried at least 3½ years in jail upon conviction. He remains free on bail while awaiting his February sentencing. The somber-looking rapper did not speak as he left the courthouse with members of his entourage, who piled into four SUVs. (AP)

JUSTICE
Travolta Extortion Case Ends in Mistrial

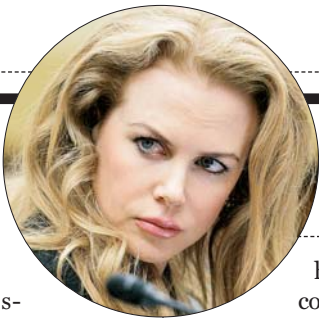
A judge in the Bahamas has ordered a mistrial in the case of an alleged extortion attempt against JOHN TRAVOLTA. A judge said Wednesday she was reluctantly ordering a new trial because a politician announced that one of the defendants would



Travolta and his wife, Kelly Preston.

be acquitted, even though the jurors had not yet reached their verdict. (AP)

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EGO
'Let's Make An Important Issue All About Me'

NICOLE KIDMAN testified before a U.S. congressional panel on violence against women Wednesday, conceding that Hollywood has contributed to the problem by portraying females as weak sex objects. Kidman said she is not interested in those kinds of roles, adding that the movie industry also

"Feel free to study my IMDB entry," she added.

has made an effort to contribute to solutions for ending the violence. When asked by Rep. Dana Rohrabacher, R-Calif, whether Hollywood has "played a bad role," Kidman said "probably," then added, "I can't be responsible for all of Hollywood, but I can certainly be responsible for my own career." (AP)

RUMORS
Only Person in Hollywood Gerard Butler Not Accused Of Dating: Cloris Leachman

Gerard Butler and JESSICA SIMPSON are not an item, USmagazine.com reports. The pair were seen having dinner with friends in Manhattan on Tuesday. "They were laughing and flirting," a source told the New York Post's Page Six. But "there is nothing romantic there at all," another source told US. (AP)



"I am wearing too much foundation."

LOGIC
Theory Proves Nothing Except That Thieves Had Eyes, Brains

The Kardashian family thinks the break-in and robbery of KOURTNEY KARDASHIAN's home was an inside job. "They knew what was real jewelry and what was costume jewelry," sister Khloe Kardashian told Ryan Seacrest on his radio show Thursday. About \$100,000 worth of jewelry was stolen. (EXPRESS)



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